

January 12, 2012

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: WC Docket No. 11-42 - Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization
NOTICE OF EX PARTE PRESENTATION

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On January 12, 2012, Javier Rosado, Senior Vice President - Lifeline Services, TracFone Wireless, Inc. ("TracFone") and undersigned counsel met with several members of the Commission staff. Those attendees included Sharon Gillett, Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Carol Matthey, Deputy Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Trent Harkrader, Chief, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Kimberly Scardino, Deputy Chief, Telecommunications Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Jamie Susskind and Jonathan Lechter, both Attorney-Advisors, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, and Michael Steffen, Legal Advisor to Chairman Genachowski.

During the meeting, we discussed issues before the Commission in the above-captioned Lifeline and Link Up Modernization proceeding. Specifically, we discussed how TracFone determines whether applicants for Lifeline service are qualified to receive Lifeline benefits in states where access to data bases containing eligibility information is available and in states where such data base access is not currently available, and why mandatory documentation of program-based eligibility increases Eligible Telecommunications Carriers' costs of enrolling customers and, more importantly, precludes many qualified low-income consumers from completing the enrollment process and receiving Lifeline benefits. We also discussed the recent proposal jointly submitted by TracFone and Nexus Communications to establish an eligibility determination system, including efforts to gain access to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program data bases maintained for various states by J. P. Morgan and Company. In addition, we discussed the Commission's plans to establish a budget for the low-income program supported by the Universal Service Fund.

In response to staff questions, we described what impediments existed to making Lifeline benefits available with TracFone services not currently part of its Lifeline offerings, as well as TracFone's interest in offering Lifeline programs which include broadband service. Finally, we discussed the reasons why TracFone does not believe that low-income consumers should be required to pay monthly charges in order to receive Lifeline benefits. Positions expressed by TracFone during this meeting were consistent with those articulated by it in prior submissions in this proceeding.

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Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, this letter is being filed electronically. If there are questions, please communicate directly with undersigned counsel for TracFone.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mitchell F. Brecher", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

cc: Ms. Sharon Gillett
Ms. Carol Matthey
Mr. Trent Harkrader
Ms. Kimberly Scardino
Ms. Jamie Susskind
Mr. Jonathan Lechter
Mr. Michael Steffen